



Упражнения до прослушивания текста

1. Запомните незнакомые слова

ordinary -обычный

improve - улучшить

term - четверть

script - алфавит

2. What languages are mentioned in the texts?

3. Give a title to each text.

Вы услышите 6 высказываний. Установите соответствие между высказываниями каждого говорящего и утверждением, в котором...

**B1**

**A.**

Different activities in a foreign country helped the speaker learn the language.

**B.**

The speaker learns the foreign language while listening to music.

**C.**

The speaker thinks that some foreign languages give better career opportunities than others.

**D.**

The speaker's hobby was a strong motivation for learning the foreign language.

**E.**

The speaker started learning the foreign language because she / he was going to travel.

**F.**

A job in a foreign country helped the person speak the language better.

**G.**

Mixing with native speakers helped the speaker learn about their way of life.

Говорящий

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Утверждение

Now we are ready to start.

Speaker 1

In Spain I lived in a flat with students from the local university. In my drama class I met a Spanish girl who was looking for someone to speak English with. We became best friends and we spoke half the time in English, and half the time in Spanish. I also joined a gym and had great fun trying to do an aerobics class which was not a difficult task though the instructions were given in Spanish. On Sundays I went to the cinema and only watched Spanish films. Now I'm quite good at Spanish.

Speaker 2

I went to China to work as an English language teacher because I wanted to understand people who live in China. It took me a long time before I met local Chinese people with the same interests as I had. I met even more interesting people thanks to them. I had great fun and left China with a better understanding of the lifestyle of ordinary Chinese people.

Speaker 3

The first foreign language which I studied was French. I learnt it at a secondary school. Between school and university I spent three months working on two farms in southern France. This helped me to speak easily in French and to get a rich vocabulary connected with farming. I can still speak and read in French quite well. However, my written French is rather bad.

Speaker 4

I have always been good at languages that's why I studied French and German at high school. To brush up my French and German I took part in a few student exchange programmes. But then I thought that my chances of finding a good job might be improved if I chose a more unusual language. I considered Chinese, Japanese and Arabic. Finally I decided on Chinese and Japanese, which I studied at the University of Leeds. During my second year I spent a term studying Chinese in China, and another term studying Japanese in Osaka.

Speaker 5

I began learning Arabic because I planned to visit different Arabic-speaking countries, including Morocco. Using a textbook I learnt Arabic pronunciation, the Arabic script, a few words and a bit of grammar. Soon I spent some weeks in Morocco. Unfortunately I found out that my French was much more useful than the little Arabic I knew.

Speaker 6

Many years ago I was given an Irish whistle as a birthday present. I liked it so much that soon I started to collect Irish tunes, songs and albums, it became my favourite occupation. I enjoyed listening to Irish music so much that I started playing it myself. As I listened to and played Irish music I got interested in the Irish language as well. And you see, my hobby led me to the decision to start learning the Irish language.